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### Where Are We At?

In view of recent happenings affecting the cattle and sheep interests of this county, the foregoing emphatic, if ungrammatical, inquiry seems pertinent.

To understand its pertinency it is necessary to understand those recent happenings.

During the last days of May, without any notice or warning to any one, Lieut. Arthur Johnson, Assistant Indian Agent at Fort Apache, directed the Indian police to gather such cattle as they might find trespassing on the reservation, and it is stated offered inducements to the Indians to make the number as large as possible, which offer resulted in cattle being driven on to the reservation from the outside.

However that may be, about 700 head of cattle belonging to about twenty-five different owners, were collected on the north and east boundary of the reservation and under whip and spur, as only an Indian would drive, they were hurried and rushed away about fifty miles in a direction further on the reservation, and away from their well known ranges.

Not satisfied with this outrage on their owners some species of refined cruelty to the dumb brute was sought and the fertile genius of the Indian promptly furnished it. The Indian police were directed by the Lieutenant to bring these cattle back. Mark you, no effort was made to drive them off, but they were persistently driven on to the reservation. Well, the Indian police declined to act. Other Indians under Chief George were instructed to drive them back, and with poles with knives attached to the end, they rushed them back about forty miles as fast as the poor brutes could be made to travel. The result was inevitable. Of the 700 head of cattle in good condition there were returned about 230 poor, jaded animals, many of them in a dying condition. At least fifty per cent of the 470 head will be lost to their owners. Mark you again, these cattle are driven at least ninety miles, all of the time on the reservation, and when the drive is over they are abandoned and left, under said Lieutenant's instructions and orders, still on the reservation within six miles of the line.

If true, it was not only a piece of wanton brutality upon the dumb creatures, but a grievous outrage upon the taxpayers and property owners of this county, and one that is just as certain to be rebuked severely and in due course as is the night to follow the day.

It is said that Chief George demanded money, (\$20) with the knowledge of Lieut. Johnson, from one of the owners of said cattle for having driven his cattle back forty of the ninety miles which they were forced to travel. This seemed to be putting the cap on the climax of this extraordinary act.

It is suggested, that by his machination, some "squaw man," residing by grace on the reservation, in order to vent his personal spite against some of the cattle owners, has persistently sought in this cowardly way to impress the Lieutenant in charge with the idea that all cattle owners are intentional trespassers by their stock on the reservation.

Whatever may be the cause, if correctly informed, it seems to us that Lieut. Johnson's conduct in the matter is unexplainable and indefensible, for we are positive there can be no law which authorized it

or regulation of the Interior Department which requires it.

The cattle and sheep men, large and small owners, for the latter are the greater sufferers, are thoroughly aroused and propose to have the matter investigated, and if there has been malicious mischief, grand larceny, or grievous trespass upon their property committed, and the guilty person or persons can be found, any law of the land which will avenge and prevent a recurrence of this outrage will be invoked.

To permit it to pass unnoticed invites repetition, and its repetition simply means the impoverishment of the small owner and the destruction of the only certain source of revenue in the county. We had thought, under this democratic administration autocratic conduct by persons in authority would cease, and we shall lose our confidence in this grand old party of the people, and it will be recreant to its highest mission unless the democratic authorities in Washington lend their co-operation in protecting the property interests of the humblest as well as the highest in the land.

Now do you understand our question: Where are we at?

SONTAG and Evans, the California train robbers, have changed their tactics and are now hunting their pursuers. A detective named Black has been on their trail for four months. The outlaws finally tired of it and sent the detective word that he was known to them and had better leave the mountains. Black paid no attention to their warning, and was shot one night as he was entering his cabin, but not fatally wounded. He says that as soon as he is able he intends to take their trail again.

RECEIVER FOSTER of the defunct Deming and Silver City banks, says the Lordsburg Liberal, intends to order another assessment on the stockholders of the Deming bank and this assessment will be up to the limit. Mr. Foster is pushing the affairs to a settlement as fast as possible, and is incurring the hostility of some of the creditors of the bank, by insisting on their paying up. Some people have the impression that because the banks went busted there is no necessity for any one owing the bank paying their accounts. Mr. Foster expects to have the first dividend he pays equal in amount the one paid by the former receiver.

On the night of the 31st ult., a shooting affray took place at Needles in which Pat Halpin shot Jos. Dugan, a brakeman on the Atlantic and Pacific, and Deputy Sheriff Key shot Halpin in trying to arrest him. Halpin, it was thought was dangerously wounded, and Dugan only slightly.

COUNT TOLSTOI, the Russian novelist and philanthropist, it is said, intends to visit the World's Fair, and will bring with him a party of young noblemen for the purpose of investigating American agricultural methods and the systems of irrigation in use in the west.

The hotel frequenters at Tempe witnessed a novel sight recently in the shape of an exciting battle between two Gila monsters. One of the reptiles was killed and the other was so seriously injured that it was thought recovery impossible.

SOME one, it is said, has preferred charges against the Tombstone Prospector, before the Territorial Press Association, for charging less than legal rate for printing the delinquent tax list.

From the unusual rebuke administered to the court martial which tried Capt. Johnson of Springfield, Missouri, for its leniency it appears that this administration is determined to stamp out the practice of duplicating army pay vouchers.

THE Los Angeles Herald says: Returned prospectors from the Colorado desert report finding all the landmarks of the lost Pegleg mine, but no mine, and declare the thing a myth.

DR. GRAVES, the alleged poisoner of Mrs. Barnaby, at Denver, Col., some time ago, was released on a thirty thousand dollar bond. It is thought extremely doubtful if the case is ever brought to trial again.

THE First National Bank at Brownwood, Texas, has suspended. It is thought depositors will be paid in full, but stockholders will lose everything.

THE affairs of ex-Secretary Foster are said to be in a worse condition than was supposed. His liabilities are from eight hundred thousand to a million dollars, and assets much less.

GLICK, ex-Governor of Kansas, says the President's object in withholding offices from Democrats is to coerce Congressmen into agreeing with his financial policy.

CHIEF HARRIS of the Cherokees finally got Wall street's promise to bid on the bonds which were issued to pay for the Strip.

DESTRUCTIVE storms, causing some loss of life and heavy damages to property, swept through Louisville, portions of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and the northwest.

SENATOR VEST in discussing the administration up to date says the prevalence of leisurely deliberation in making removals is the chief cause of complaint.

NEVADANS are indignant because of the Treasury Department order suspending operations at the Carson City mint.

J. C. Hancock, the cattleman and printer of Fort Bowie was in town Tuesday, and as usual made us a fraternal call. Being rushed with work, he accepted our invitation to divest himself of coat and hat and take up the stick and rule and give us a lift. While it has been some years since he divorced himself from the trade, he took to it like an Irishman takes to whiskey, and can handle type now as well as he can a lariat. We are under deep obligations to Mr. Hancock for his services, and he will always have free run of our sanctum.—Willcox Stockman.

United States Marshal W. K. Meade yesterday formally tendered his resignation as superintendent of the territorial prison and will to-day qualify as United States Marshal. His successor has not yet been determined upon, or, at any rate no announcement has been made of it. It is believed that ex-sheriff C. B. Kelton, of Cochise county, will be the lucky man. The supposition is based partly on Mr. Meade's friendliness to him, and it is supposed that he will be tendered the courtesy of being permitted to choose his successor.—Arizona Republican.

Only two Chinese women registered in Arizona under the Geary act, Mrs. Yon Tom Boxin of Yuma, and Mrs. Sim Kim Sing Tempe. In Arizona and New Mexico 429 Chinese have registered under the Geary act. Of these 127 reside in Tucson.—Tombstone Prospector.

### Bitten by a Skunk.

James Shears' came in from Bradshaw this morning and will start for Chicago tonight. He is not particularly interested in seeing the World's Fair though when the present business shall be attended to he will stay and enjoy the sights for a while.

Mr. Shears immediate business in Chicago is to visit the Pasteur institute in that city. He goes upon the advice of Dr. Scott Helm whom he consulted this morning in regard to a little difficulty he had yesterday with a skunk. The skunk got the best of him and left a wound which was quite painful and which without proper treatment would prove serious.

Dr. Helm dressed the wound and gave Mr. Shears the proper medicines so as to assure his safe arrival at Chicago; but advised him to lose no time. The patient took the treatment and the advice as coolly as he fought the skunk; but remarked that he would make the trip as rapidly as the trains would carry him.

Dr. Helm says that Mr. Shears is in no immediate danger of hydrophobia, but that it would be too great a risk to neglect the opportunity to avail himself of the advantages of the institute. He gave him a letter to the institute and the patient will be properly treated and return home well and sound.—Phoenix Gazette.

John Crane seems determined to keep himself before the public. Three days after being brought back from the Phenix asylum, he made an unsuccessful attempt to hang himself in his cell with a rope made of strips of his bed clothes. Failing that, through interference of the sheriff, he made an attempt at escape, with better results. Friday night he sawed a link of the chain by which he was secured, using his knife blade as a saw. He then dug a hole in the inner wall in the same place that Antonio, the Papago, went out. His freedom was short. Striking westward along the railroad, he was picked up at Mammoth Tank by the crew of freight train No. 24 and carried to Banning, there being turned over to the constable. Sheriff Greenleaf was informed, and started Monday morning for his charge, whom he brought back yesterday. Crane again languishes in jail.—Yuma Times.

The strict discipline and rules adopted by Superintendent Meade at the prison for the employees in regard to the drink habit is being carried out to the letter and in consequence drinking men do not tarry long on the till—they rather prefer some other field of labor. They don't like Yuma. Tucson is preferred, where "personal liberty" is not interfered with. If a man wants to spend his wages and his time in the saloon, no one objects to it, not even the people who are taxed to pay the bills.—Star.

An engineer by the name of Holliday on the A. & P. railroad has invented a new draw head for trains. The new invention is operated by the engineer, who raises the coupling bar by power communicated from the compressed air pump. He will apply for a patent on his new invention. It is said that railroad men who have examined his invention pronounce it a success.—Flagstaff Democrat.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

## Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Torivio Miranda, a Mexican, was yesterday arrested and lodged in jail by Constable Calvio for disturbing the peace by trying to run the inhabitants out of Sonoratown by the aid of a knife with a blade only about eight inches in length. When arrested and searched he turned out to be a regular walking arsenal, for several weapons, more or less dangerous, were found on his person. When he was being taken to jail by the officer, he broke and run from him and gave the constable quite a chase before he could be captured again. He kept the residents living near the jail awake all night by shouting and singing, which somewhat resembled the yells of a coyote. The officers have been looking for this same gentleman for months past, as he is wanted on a charge of being an accessory to an assault with a deadly weapon upon a Mexican here. That is, he furnished the Mexican who was to do carving with one of the ready knives he is so fond of having with him.—Gazette.

John Eberle, one of the prominent citizens of Mogollon, had a quarrel with a man named Edward Phenix, last week and shot him. Phenix lived two or three days. Eberle was arrested and started for Socorro. When in Silver City he got hold of a double barreled shotgun and blew the top of his head off. Eberle was well off having, it is stated, about \$75,000 worth of real estate in Los Angeles. The prompt, economical and satisfactory manner in which he disposed of the case merits the commendation of all law abiding citizens. Suicide of a murderer is as satisfactory as lynching and gives the community a better name. We commend this to the next murderer in this county.—Lordsburg Liberal.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon, Jailor Lucero, of the county jail, frustrated an attempt of the prisoners to free themselves. They had sawed three of the bars, and were breaking the iron, when the jailor discovered the attempt to escape. He sent word over to the new town to Under-sheriff Garcia, who sent Sheriff Anaya to the jail, and the prisoners were locked up in the cells. A search was made among them, and on the person of Hart, one of the alleged murderers of N. J. Sanches, three saws were found. A penknife one blade of which was hacked into a saw, was taken from another prisoners. The men will be kept in the cells until they divulge who first made the attempt to escape.—Alb. Citizen.

A prominent Mesa Cityite desires that the Gazette should warn prospectors that there are in the Superstition mountains no claims as yet discovered that warrant any such rush as has been coming in for the past several weeks. There are a number of very good free gold leads, but even the best of a quartz country is hardly the one to sustain much of an influx.—Gazette.

Two Yaqui Indians were united in matrimony by Judge Milligan, Wednesday. This was the first marriage of Indians ever performed in our county, and judging from a description—given by those present, it certainly beats a circus to witness the actions of the parties while the ceremony was being performed.—Flagstaff Democrat.

Deputy Sheriff Baca who was after Analla and Ramirez in the vicinity of El Paso, followed them with blood hounds till he run them into Mexico and lost the direct trail. He was then assisted by the Mexican army and followed the trail down the river about seventy miles, until they lost the trail among some islands. There is a hard gang living on these islands and they are supposed to be giving these men shelter. Considerable trouble is being taken to let them know that there is \$300 reward for them. It is hoped that this reward will be of more consideration than friendship and that some of these islanders will give the two men up.—Lordsburg Liberal.

A serious accident happened a cowboy out on Center street last night. While Mr. Willcox, of McDowell, was driving a band of cattle out to the Simms ranch north of Phenix for delivery to M. E. Hurley, one of the cowboys named Byers ran his horse into a twenty-five foot well, both horse and rider tumbled to the bottom. There was about four feet of water in the well and it is a wonder they were not both drowned. The other men with the outfit ran to the well and drew the cowboy out comparatively uninjured, but the horse was not so lucky and died before he could be rescued.—Phenix Gazette.

The community was horrified last evening to learn that Quong Lee, a laundry Chinaman on Santa Fe avenue, had enticed a little girl into his place of business and there committed an unmentionable assault on the person of Pearl, 4-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Nichols. The entrance of a customer into the laundry disclosed the Chinaman in his nefarious work, which was only prevented from accomplishment by his entrance.—La Junta Watermelon.

One day last week C. H. O'Dell, while riding after stock on the range, near Marshall's Lake, ten miles east of town, started a mountain lion, Mr. O'Dell raised his Winchester, and "Mr. Lion started on a run through the cedars. Five shots were fired while the lion was covering forty yards. At the last shot the lion fell about one hundred yards from Mr. O'Dell, and an examination showed that every ball had entered the lion's body. It was a very large lion, measuring nine feet from tip to tip.—Flagstaff Democrat.

Constable Briggs last night caught Chas. Sloan in town and arrested him on a warrant issued several week ago for contempt of court. Sloan lives about seven miles southwest of the city. He caused the arrest of one of his neighbors on a charge of cruelly deserting his children. When the case was called for trial, Sloan, though he was in town, failed to appear, and it was shown that the charge was unfounded.—Arizona Republican.

For some months past the bullion in a silver dollar has been worth 64 cents. Still that dollar will buy as much as a gold dollar, and in London or Paris will sell for 96 or 98 cents in gold. Could there be any better proof that money does not derive its value from the material from which it is made?—Mining Industry.

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